

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**Assignee**..... Microsoft Corporation  
**Group Art Unit**..... 2134  
**Examiner**..... Jason Gee  
**Attorney's Docket No.**..... MS1-1285US  
**Title**..... Generation and Validation of Short Digital Signatures

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED**

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## **Claim Amendment Summary**

### **Claims pending**

- At time of the Action: Claims 1-43.
- After this Response: Claims 1-20 and 26-38.

**Canceled or Withdrawn claims:** 21-25 and 39-43.

**Amended claims:** none.

**New claims:** none.

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